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Botetourt County, Virginia Office of the County Administrator

July 27, 2021

Dr. Tamarah Holmes, Ph.D. Director, Office of Broadband Department of Housing and Community Development 600 East Main Street, Ste. 300 Richmond, VA 23219

Re: VATI Application Notice with Lumos Networks

Dear Dr. Holmes:

I am providing this VATI Application Notice to notify the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development that Botetourt County and Lumos Networks may submit an application for the FY2022 Virginia Telecommunication Initiative (VATI). In addition, we are coordinating VATI proposals regionally among the Roanoke Valley Broadband Authority, Roanoke County, Franklin County, Craig County, and several private providers.

Botetourt County and Lumos Networks intend to submit an application to achieve universal coverage of broadband services to the remainder of the unserved residences and businesses in Botetourt County, which are located throughout the County in various pockets.

Mr. Ken McFadyen, Director of Economic Development, will be our main point of contact for the purposes of the application process and can be reached at: 57 South Center Drive, Daleville, VA 24083; 540-580-1232 (cell); kmcfadyen@botetourtva.gov (e-mail).

The County of Botetourt and Lumos Networks understand that this VATI Application Notice is required in order to submit an application for the 2022 Virginia Telecommunication Initiative and that this notice is not binding on the entity represented by the undersigned, Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development.

If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

Gary Lantowe

Botetouft County Administrator

cc: Mr. Diego Anderson, Lumos Networks

Mr. Frank Smith, Roanoke Valley Broadband Authority Mr. Ken McFadyen, Director of Economic Development